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EXDIS, FOR MOOSE AND PETTERSON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDEV, RH, UK, US

SUBJECT: DRAFT STATEMENT ON LAW AND ORDER

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REF: LONDON 13851

1. BRITISH EMBASSY HAS ASKED FOR OUR COMMENTS ON REVISED  
DRAFT STATEMENT ON LAW AND ORDER IN THE TRANSITION  
PERIOD WHICH YOU SENT TO US IN REFTEL (ALSO SENT TO  
LUSAKA). IN SAME MESSAGE YOU NOTED THAT YOU HAD TERMINATED  
DISCUSSIONS WITH BRITISH ON THIS ISSUE TO AWAIT A MORE  
PROPITIOUS OCCASION.

2. IN BRITISH MESSAGE TO ITS EMBASSY HERE IT IS NOTED  
THAT THE PAPER WAS DRAWN UP FOR THE INTERNAL USE OF THE  
US-UK "THOUGH WE RECOGNIZED THAT WE MIGHT NEED TO USE IT  
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WITH THE PARTIES IN PUBLIC AT SOME STAGE."

THE BRITISH MESSAGE ALSO ASKS FOR OUR COMMENTS ON A  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE LAST PART OF PARA 14 REGARDING  
THE ZIMBABWE NATIONAL ARMY WHICH THEY NOW SUGGEST  
SHOULD READ "THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER WILL INCREASINGLY  
RELY ON IT FOR THE DEFENCE OF THE COUNTRY AND FOR THE

MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY AND LAW AND ORDER."

3. WE REMAIN UNSURE AS TO WHAT PURPOSE THE PAPER WILL BE PUT. WE THINK YOU CAN GET BETTER SATISFACTION ON THIS QUESTION DIRECTLY FROM GRAHAM AND OWEN THAN WE CAN FROM THE UK EMBASSY HERE.

4. YOU WILL RECALL THAT DEPT OFFERED SOME COMMENTS ON INITIAL DRAFT WHICH YOU SOUGHT TO INCORPORATE IN YOUR CONVERSATIONS IN LONDON. (THESE ARE CONTAINED IN STATE 194988, ALSO SENT TO LUSAKA.) THE FOLLOWING NOTES ARE BRIEF ONES WHICH WE PREPARED UPON INITIAL RECEIPT OF THE REVISED DRAFT BUT NEVER SENT TO YOU.

-- THE DRAFT STILL DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHAT IS DONE WITH GUERRILLA FORCES REMAINING OUTSIDE OF RHODESIA. THESE FORCES SHOULD BE NEUTRALIZED EITHER BY HAVING BORDERING COUNTRIES GUARANTEE FRONTIERS; BY SENDING UN MONITORS TO GUERRILLA ENCAMPMENTS; OR BY PROVIDING FOR UN BORDER OBSERVATION AND PATROL.

-- IN PARAGRAPH 8, A PHRASE SHOULD BE ADDED TO MAKE CLEAR THAT A FUNCTION OF THE DETACHED ELEMENTS IS TO HELP MONITOR THE CEASEFIRE.

-- IN PARAGRAPH 9, MENTION SHOULD BE MADE OF THE UN  
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SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE'S POLICE LIAISON FUNCTION.

-- THE TALKING PAPER FOR NYERERE CONTAINS GOOD LANGUAGE IN DESCRIBING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE POLICE FORCES AND THE UN FORCES AND THE OTHER ZIMBABWE FORCES IN DEALING WITH LAW AND ORDER. THAT SAME PHRASE SHOULD BE USED IN PARAGRAPH 10.

5. WE SEE NO PROBLEM WITH THE SPECIFIC BRITISH AMENDMENT SUGGESTED FOR THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE DOCUMENT. HOWEVER, WE INTEND TO INFORM BRITISH HERE THAT OUR COMMENTS WILL COME FROM LUSAKA. CHRISTOPHER

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